

AMENDMENT

Please make the following amendments:

In the claims:

Please amend claims 19 and 56 to read as follows:

19. (Twice amended) A method of producing a virus comprising:
- introducing into a host cell a recombinant GBV-B viral expression construct comprising a polynucleotide encoding a 3' terminal sequence of GBV-B, wherein the polynucleotide comprises 50 contiguous nucleotides from SEQ ID NO:1; and culturing said host cell under conditions permitting production of a virus from said construct.
56. (Amended) A method of producing a GBV-B or chimeric GBV-B virus comprising:
- obtaining a virus produced by the method of claim 19;
- introducing the virus into a second host cell; and
- culturing said host cell under conditions permitting production of virus.